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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 6 May 2003, Applicants hereby elect for prosecution on the merits the claims of Species A, claims 1-6, 16-19 and 24-27.

However, it is respectfully asserted that generic claims covering the claims of both species A and Species B are allowable and, thus, all pending claims 1-6 and 16-29 should be found in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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